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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the complete patent application of Anthony J.M. Garwood, entitled METHOD OF MARKING AND PACKAGING FOOD.

- X 1. This application is a continuation of Application No. 10/432,973, filed May 28, 2003, which is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US01/45146, filed November 28, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/724,287, filed November 28, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of International Application No. PCT/US00/29038, filed October 19, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/550,399, filed April 14, 2000, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/392,074, filed September 8, 1999, now abandoned, which is a continuation of Application No. 09/039,150, filed March 13, 1998, now abandoned, which claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. 60/040,556, filed March 13, 1997. Application No. 09/550,399 claims the benefit of Provisional Application Nos. 60/129,595, filed April 15, 1999; 60/141,569, filed June 29, 1999; 60/144,400, filed July 16, 1999; 60/148,227, filed July 27, 1999; 60/149,938, filed August 19, 1999; 60/152,677, filed September 7, 1999; 60/154,068, filed September 14, 1999; 60/160,445, filed October 19, 1999; and 60/175,372, filed January 10, 2000. International Application No. PCT/US01/45146 claims the benefit of Provisional Application Nos. 60/255,684, filed December 13, 2000; 60/286,688, filed April 26, 2001; 60/291,872, filed May 17, 2001; 60/299,240, filed June 18, 2001; 60/312,176, filed August 13, 2001; 60/314,109, filed August 21, 2001; 60/323,629, filed September 19, 2001; and 60/335,760, filed October 19, 2001. All applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.
- X 2. An application consisting of 460 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, and 196 sheets of drawings is attached.

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- X 3. A copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in the above-noted prior application is attached. This application is a continuation, no new matter has been added to this application, and no new inventors have been named.

X Please **delete** the following inventors named in the prior application, such deleted persons not being an inventor of the subject matter claimed herein:

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- X The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of this application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

- X 4. Small entity status is asserted for this matter.

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Basic Fee						385	
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- X 5. Our Check No. 153495 in the amount of \$457.00 to cover the total fee as computed above is enclosed.
- X 6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.
- X 7. A filing date in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 is requested. The Express Mail Certificate appears below.

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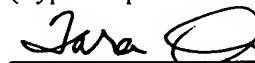


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